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## SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Prior to examination, please amend this application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS** 

Cancel claims 13-21 without prejudice. Add claims 22-50 which follow:

Claim 22:

A method for diagnosis of cervical lesions and evaluation of the progression potential of cervical lesions comprising obtaining a sample of a cervical lesion from a patient, determining the presence of absence and/or the level of polypeptides characteristic for the early or late passages of HPV immortalized

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